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अतिरिक्त प्रमुख सचिव / Addl. Chief Secretary,
वन और पर्यावरण विभा/ Forest and Environment Department
मणिपुर की सरकार / Government of Manipur,
इंफाल -Imphal – 795 001.

- Sub: 1) Proposal for diversion of 149.708 ha of forest land for widening and improvement of Yainganpokpi – Nagaland Road Section of NH – 202 into two laning with paved shoulder of 0.000km from Laikot to Hungpung of 48.237 km in the state of Manipur on EPC mode by NHIDCL.
- 2) Proposal for diversion of 133.882 ha of forest land for widening and improvement of Yainganpokpi – Nagaland Road Section of NH- 202 into two laning with paved shoulder of 48.273 km from Hungpungto Longpikajuiof 94.612 km in the state of Manipur of EPC mode by NHIDCL.

Sir,

In inviting a reference to the subject cited above, I am directed to bring to your kind notice that the above mentioned proposals were submitted by the State Govt of Manipur seeking prior approval under section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. Further, on submission of additional information by Govt of Manipur, the site inspection to the proposed diversion of forest land was carried out by this office on the 11th & 12th March, 2020.

However, it was found during inspection that the proposed diversion of 149.708 ha of forest land for widening and improvement of Yainganpokpi - Nagaland Road Section of NH-102 into two laning with paved shoulder of 0.000 km from Laikot to Hungpung, the work has already started and substantial progress has already been made. Unfortunately, due to improper coordination and planning, the absence of the user agency and the concerned local officers with relevant documents; the site inspection could not be done successfully. Moreover, during the discussion held with PCCF (HoFF) & Nodal Officer while appraising of the violation of the FC Act in respect of the above proposal it has been informed that the same alignment has already been diverted in favour of BRO earlier.

In view of the above, state government is requested

1. To direct the User Agency to stop all fresh breaking of land along the proposed road from Laikot to Hungpung till such time the proposal is approved. Further State Government is requested to take appropriate action on the violated area.
2. State Nodal Officer and User Agency be directed to make a presentation on the facts of this proposal and the extent of the violation, status of approval to any agency earlier of the same road and other details of the proposal for diversion of 149.708 ha of forest land for widening and improvement from Laikot to Hungpung at the Regional Office, Shillong.

3. For the second proposal for diversion of 133.882 ha of forest land from Hungpung to Longpikajui, a detailed presentation may be made on this proposal as well giving the details of all aspects of the proposal along with all documents.

In this regard, the State Govt may take immediate action with regards to point (1) accordingly and to inform an early date for presentation after due consultation with this office.

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/Deputy Inspector General of Forests(C)

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